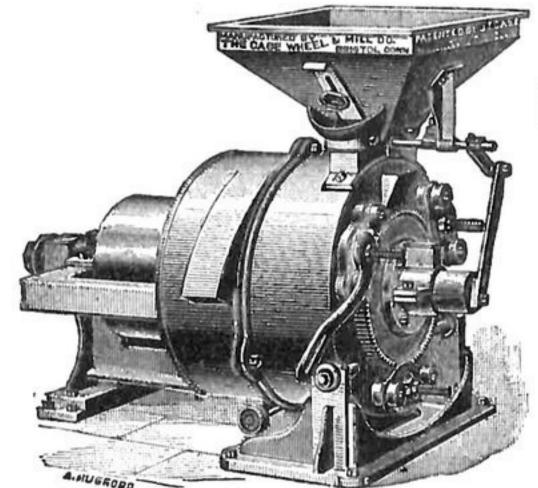


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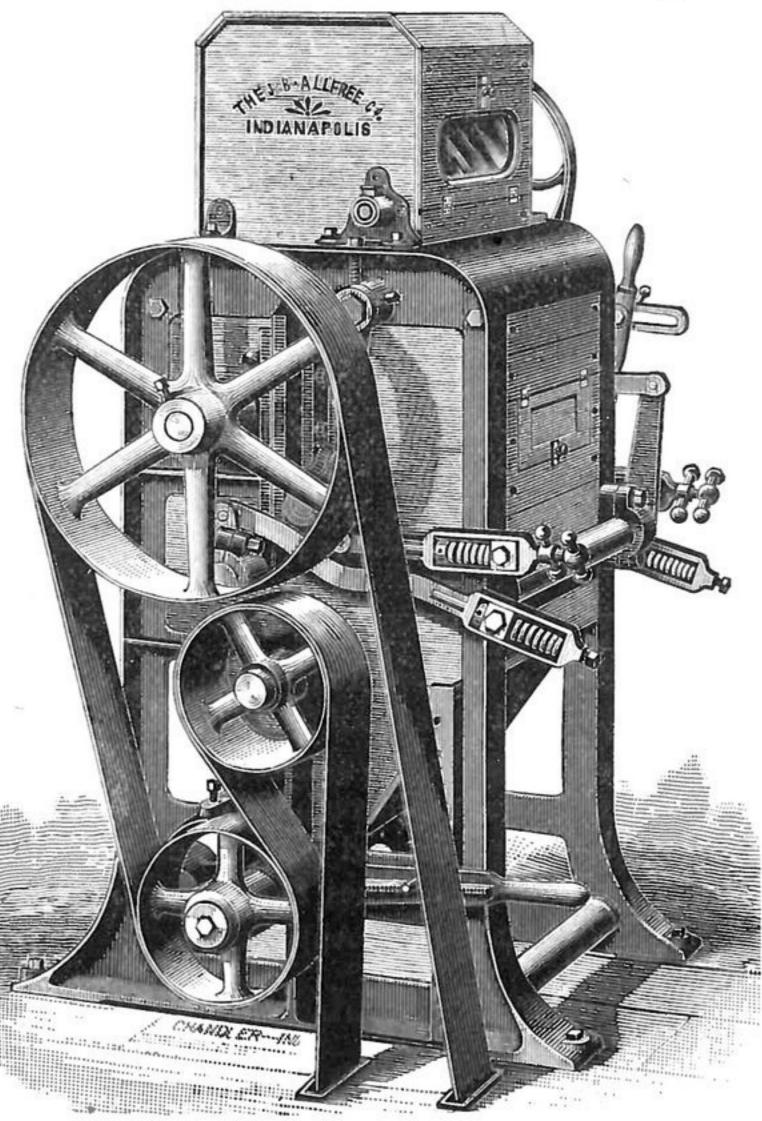
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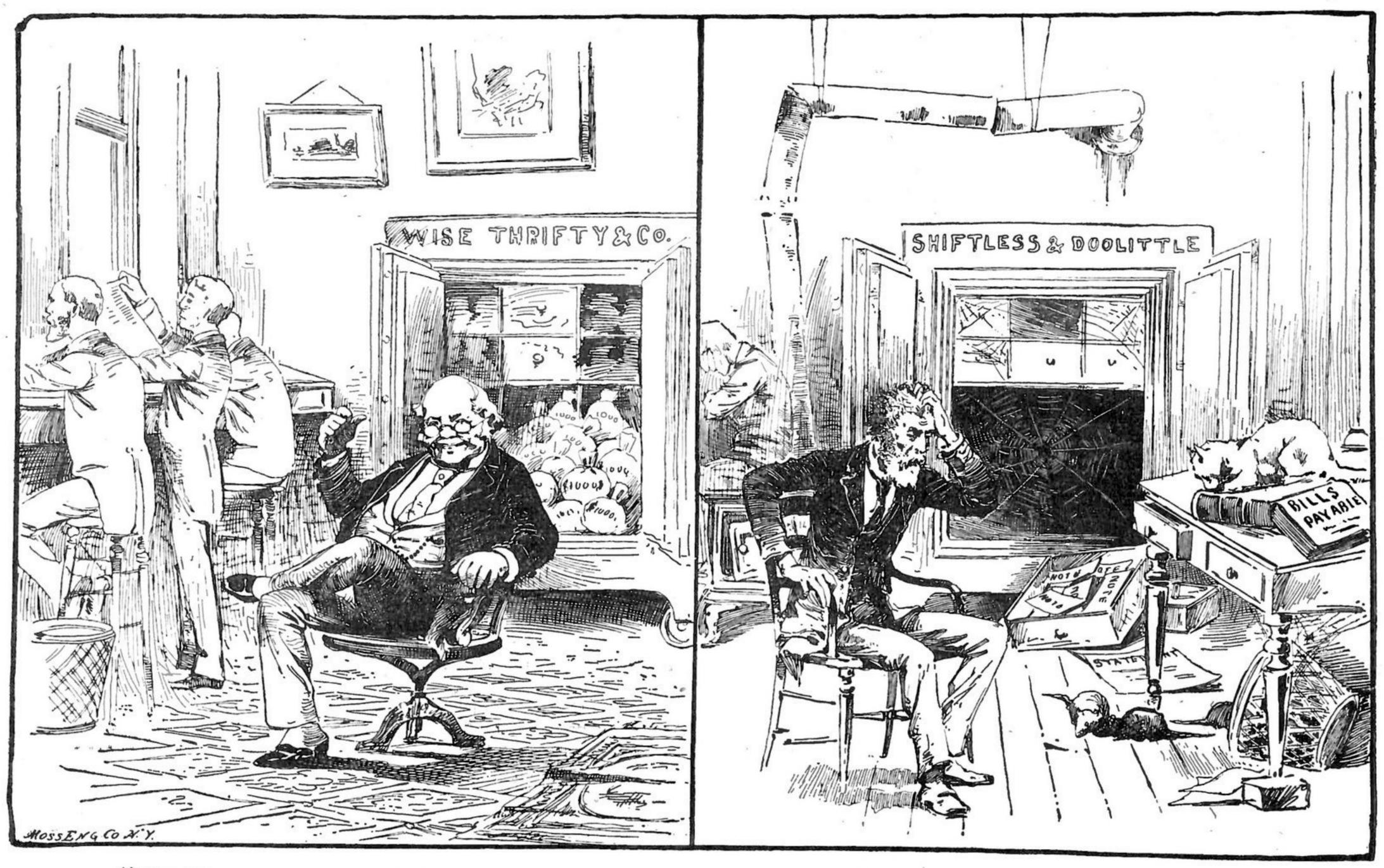
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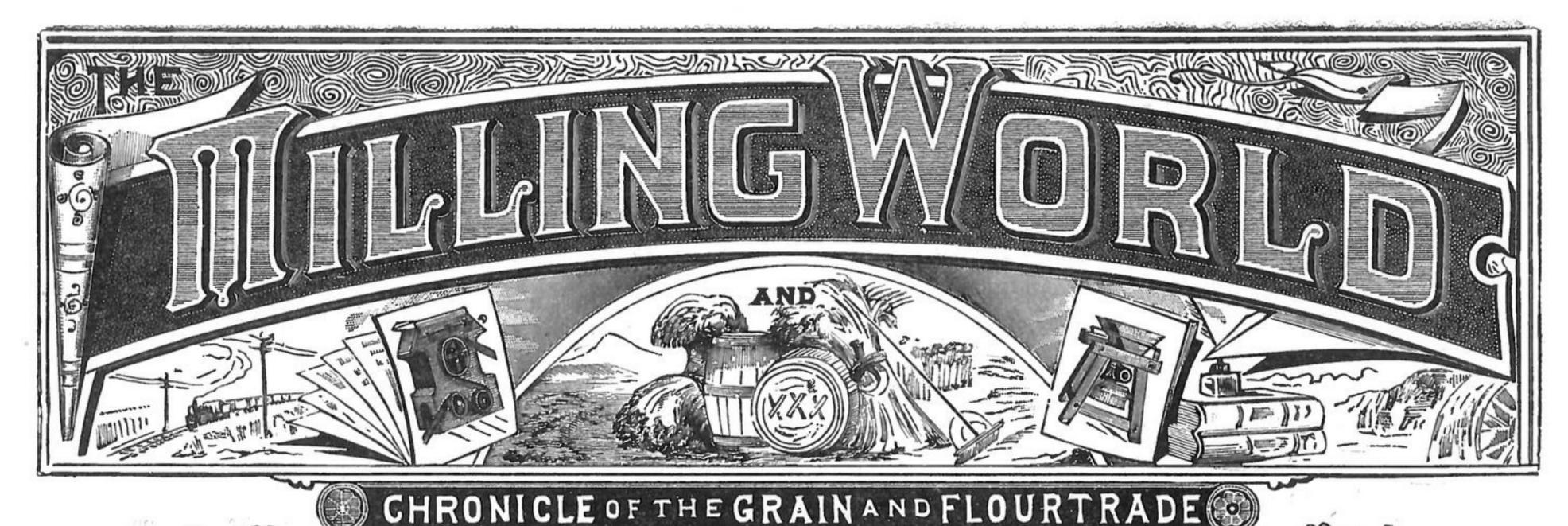
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Greatness seems to be merely comparative, especially in the case of wheat crops. The London and other British journals continually refer to the "great wheat crop of Argentine Republic" as something remarkable. The crop of that country averages nearly 19,000,000 bushels a year, and it may be "a great crop," but it is surpassed by the crops of several States and Territories of the United States. Dakota in 1888, a year of short crops, yielded 38,036,000 bushels, Illinois 33,556,000 bushels, Ohio 28,705,000 bushels, California 28,451,000 bushels, Minnesota 27,881,000 bushels, Indiana 27,879,000 bushels, Michigan 24,038,000 bushels, Iowa 24,-196,000 bushels, Missouri 18,496,000 bushels and Pennsylvania 18,802,000 bushels. If the "great crop of Manitoba," somewhere about 9,000,000 or 10,000,000 bushels, or more or less, as no one seems to know any thing about the yield of 1888, be taken into comparison, the word "great" shows more and more how much depends upon the standard of judgment.

MINNESOTA legislators are wisely providing to aid those farmers in the northern part of that state whose crops were ruined by hail and frost last season. The State Senate is at work on a bill appropriating \$100,000 for the purpose of furnishing seed wheat to farmers who need it. Applications for seed are to be made before March 1, through town clerks to county auditors; the largest allowance to a single farmer is \$100 worth of seed; the distribution will be made by county commissioners; the seed is to be refunded to the State, the obligation to refund being a first lien on the crop of 1889; the farmers are requested to sign an agreement to repay the State and to market enough of their crop as early as possible to make repayment. The counties specially mentioned in the bill are Wilkin, Otter Tail, Hubbard, Becker, Clay, Norman, Polk, Marshall, Kittson and neighboring northern counties. Care will be taken to furnish only the best varieties and the best qualities of seed. The move is a very wise one on the part of the State.

Let us laugh! A certain journal, published in the northwest by men who wrap themselves in impenetrable reserve, shroud themselves in blood-curdling mystery, cut themselves off from communication with their humble fellowmen, sling their togas over their manly shoulders, assume the position of Ajax defying the lightning or of other sorts of jacks kicking at the moon, and proclaiming aloud to the four or more corners of the earth their ineffable I-Am-ness, is out with the astounding announcement that the real reason why the real milling journals of the United States criticised the late Milwaukee millers' meeting somewhat freely is that the aforementioned ineffable, inscrutable nonmilling journal orginated that meeting! That's richness! It is rich even unto and over the verge of putrescence! THE MILLING WORLD has spoken fairly, freely and in the interests of all, without ever knowing that the Minneapolis amateurs really originated the Milwaukee meeting. We certainly should not conceive it necessary to take the wrong side of any question of morals or business expediency simply because a journal which we do not see has by mistake got on the right side of the same question. Is not the northwestern journal making its conceit just a little nauseating? It is well enough, perhaps, for the average Minneapolitan to revel in his own ideas of his own enormous magnitude and importance, and to be so pleased thereby that he needs nothing else on earth to complete his happiness, but if the profane, irreverent, uninitiated, non-inoculated outside barbarian, who witnesses the grotesque self-adulation, vociferates "Rats! Chestnuts!" towards these self-throned and self-apotheosized individuals, that vociferation is pardonable. There is nothing quite so symmetrically funny in even the alleged funny journals of the land as the assumption of superhuman attributes by these Minneapolis persons. They are egocentric. They are, at the same time, nauseating, micromental, hebetudinous and rhombocephalic!

A SERIOUS feature in American agriculture is the low yield of wheat, which, according to the report of the Department of Agriculture, was last year only 11.1 bushels per acre; winter wheat yielding something more, 11.6, and spring something less, 10.3. This is not much more than half the average of Ontario and not over one-third that of Manitoba and our North-West. These American returns reveal the fact that a great degree of exhaustion of the soil has been reached, and the time when wheat-growing, as now practiced, will cease to be profitable can not be far off, if indeed it has not already come.—Monetary Times, Toronto. Rot! The yield of wheat in the United States is misrepresented in all such figures. Here in New York the yield is 30 bushels and upward to the acre. So it is in Pennsylvania. So it is in Ohio, in Washington, in Oregon, in California and in other American wheat areas. The "averages" are reduced to 11 or less by including hundreds of thousands of acres that are not even cut, because of the damage done by bugs, frost, smut and other adverse influences. Our cotemporary would be unable to find a wheat farm in the United States yielding only 11 bushels to the acre. It would be unable to find in Ontario, Manitoba or any other Canadian province a yield of 33 or more bushels to the acre, except in isolated cases of thorough cultivation. If Manitoba is really capable of yielding 33 or 43 bushels to the acre, it seems not a little singular that her present crop, which should on that basis range from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 bushels, has turned out a beggarly 1,500,000 or 2,000,000 bushels. It may serve Canadian interests to exaggerate in their favor and against American interests, and it may not. No sane man this side the border accepts the government figures as correct. They are "estimates" to a very large extent. Every miller, grain-dealer, flour-dealer and transportation agent in the country knows that the acreage reported is exaggerated, while the real yield is much larger than that reported. It is pure nonsense to prate about the exhaustion of American soil. The assumpsion that Canadians can make the same soil grow 33 bushels of wheat to 11 bushels grown by Americans is one of the foolish exaggerations that have done infinite injury to Canada. The immigrant may be deceived by that assumption, but one season in Manitoba generally convinces him that there are lies and liars the world over.

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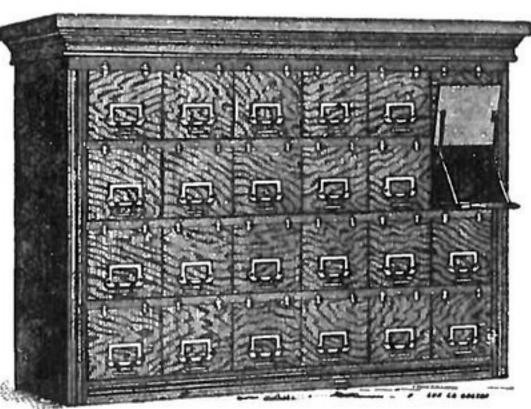
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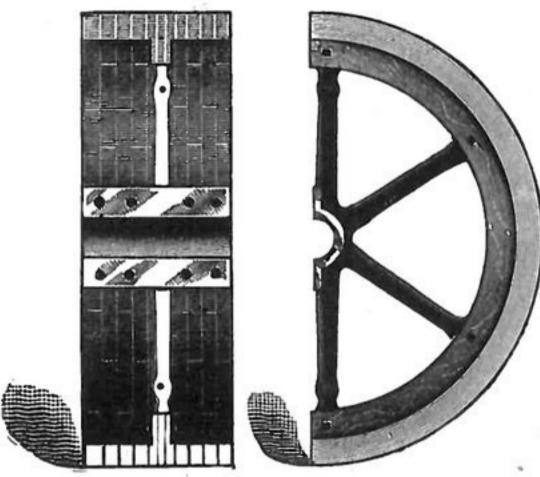
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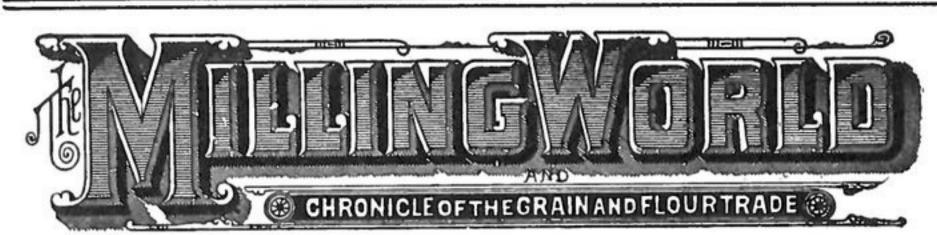
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NEW wheat areas in the Territory of Washington are yielding superb crops of wheat of the finest quality. The Washington wheat makes a strong flour and it is rapidly finding favor in the markets.

THE grain shortage is an undeniable thing in the northwest at least. It is stated that out of 100 elevators, with an aggregate capacity of 28,000,000 bushels, 38 with a capacity of about 8,000,000 bushels are closed. On January 1 the wheat in northwestern elevators was only 8,000,000 bushels. At the same time the Minneapolis mills are grinding about 83,000 barrels a week, in spite of the "restriction" promised at the Milwaukee convention. Last year at this time the weekly output was about 93,000 barrels. Minneapolis restriction evidently does not restrict.

RECENT reports from Europe announce that the wheat sent out by Russia lacks the qualities that have made American wheat popular in European markets. It will not be an easy matter for European importing nations to get along without a large quantity of American wheat. An average crop of grain in the United States in 1889 will put a new face on the grain business of the world. Those who are asserting that Russia has "knocked out" the United States will do well to wait until another round is fought. Russia has for two consecutive years harvested the largest crops in her history, but she may go far below her average this year, and in that case she will fall back to her normal rear position as an exporter of wheat.

ACCORDING to a report sent out by the Central Millers' Association, St. Louis, Mo., January 14, the milling situation in the winter-wheat States is somewhat unsatisfactory. The report includes returns from 154 mills. Of these 31 are in Missouri, 36 in Illinois, 27 in Indiana, 15 in Tennessee and Kentucky, 13 in Kansas, 13 in Ohio and 19 in Michigan. They reported 3,927,390 bushels of wheat on hand on January 8, against 2,353,073 bushels on the same date in 1887. The flour on hand on January 8, 1889, included 48,792 barrels of patent, 106,352 barrels of extra fancy, 38,318 barrels of lower grades and 6,902 barrels of unclassed stock, a total of 200,364 barrels, against 154,921 barrels on the same date in 1887. In the same report Missouri shows the growing crop at 100 in acreage and 100 in condition, Illinois at 98 and 101, Indiana at 92 and 96, Tennessee and Kentucky at 98 and 91, Kansas at 144 and 100, Ohio at 100 and 110, and Michigan at 94 and 97 respectively. The report complains that a large "percentage of mills called upon to furnish reports failed to respond." The secretary, Mr. Alex. H. Smith, states that "the result is given for what it is worth." In view of all that has been said about the scarcity of wheat, the large amount on hand reported by these 154 winterwheat mills is somewhat surprising.

COMBINATION, COMPETITION AND RESULTS.

A. B. SALOM.

Demagogic agitation in the matter of capitalistic combination is resulting in something good. The demagogues did not intend to bring about good results. They desired and intended to bring about evil results in the form of legislation to control private property and to take from men the right to conduct their own business in their own way. That evil they aimed at. They have missed it, but in the agitation the public has learned some very valuable things concerning the real nature and the influence of the so-called "combinations" and "trusts." Men who have taken the trouble to make themselves acquainted with the facts presented for and against combinations of capital, and who are sufficiently intelligent to understand the significance of those facts, have come to the conclusion that combination, instead of being the unholy influence the demagogues call it, has in reality been a positive advantage to the consumer. Closer acquaintance with facts and figures has done wonders in clearing away the mists and fogs which the sensationalists and fanatics have spread about the question, and the intelligent public is reaping good where the demagogues designed evil. The mere name of "trust" or "combination" has ceased to have to the intelligent man a sinister significance. The bugaboo has been cornered, and it turns out to be a nursery ghost.

The public mind being now fully awake to the question, it is well that education by facts and figures should be continued further. What have combinations done for prices? Have they increased or decreased the cost of produce to consumers? According to the most reliable figures the result of combination in the production, transportation and marketing of staple articles of food has been the very decided cheapening of those articles. Take for example the staples, sugar, coffee, tea, butter, cheese, pork, wheat and corn. According to the demagogic theory, these articles, produced or handled by the combinations of grangers, railroads, steamship corporations, middlemen, importers and speculators, should show a large increase in price to the consumer. What is the fact? The following table, showing the wholesale prices in largest lots, in the city of New York, for eighteen years, covering the whole period of trusts, pools, corners and combinations of all sorts, will tell the story:

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1870	13c.	12¼c.	48c.	33½c.	18c.	\$26.88	\$1.29	\$1.00
1871	125%	13	48	30	$16\frac{1}{4}$	16.46	1.52	.76
1872	12%	163/4	48	$28\frac{1}{8}$	133/4	13.61	1.62	.68
1873	101/8	201/4	40	$38\frac{1}{2}$	141/2	16.36	1.55	.65
1874	10%	201/8	46	$37\frac{1}{2}$	$13\frac{8}{4}$	19.16	1.35	.89
1875	101/2	187/8	40	$29\frac{1}{2}$	131/4	21.31	1.24	.83
1876	121/8	18	27	$29\frac{1}{2}$	111/4	19.63	1.21	.60
1877	91/2	181/2	24	22	12	14.76	1.50	.60
1878	88/4	$16\frac{1}{2}$	25	$22\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{1}{4}$	9.77	1.17	.49
1879	95/8	14%	30	$18\frac{1}{2}$	81/4	9.88	1.17	.50
1880	91/2	151/8	26	27	121/2	13.30	1.25	.55
1881	91/4	121/4	22	$25\frac{1}{2}$	12	16.95	1.28	.66
1882	85/8	93/4	21	30	$11\frac{1}{2}$	16.79	1.28	.80
1883	77/8	10%	20	$23\frac{1}{2}$	$11\frac{8}{4}$	16.59	1.09	.65
1884	57/8	10%	23	24	$12\frac{1}{2}$	15.92	.98	.59
1885	$6\frac{8}{4}$	$9\frac{1}{4}$	22	21	10	12.00	.95	.53
1886	$6\frac{1}{4}$	$10\frac{1}{4}$	22	23	$10\frac{1}{4}$	10.50	.88	.48
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1888	73%	17	18	24	11	15.50	1.05	.49

Evidently combination has not wrought "infinite loss to consumers" of those articles. Cheapness has been brought about by combinations of capital and by no other means. What is true of these articles of food is equally true of clothing, boots, shoes, hats, gloves, books, works of art, musical instruments, tools, machines of all classes, building materials, steel rails, nails, cutlery and all sorts of metal wares. In every important line capital has been attracted, and combination has cheapened wares to consumers. It would be

difficult, probably impossible, to point out a single line in which combination, pure and proper, has increased the cost to consumers. Reference is here made, of course, not to speculative combinations, commonly called "corners." That sort of combination may increase prices for a short time, but the history of corners shows that they are mere transitory phases of commercial disorder, and that they speedily fail.

In the light of the facts presented it may not be uninteresting to ask what has prevented combinations from increasing cost. The answer is simple, direct and satisfactory. Competition has prevented combination from making staple articles dearer. When the era of combination opened, it was feared that the crushing out of small producers would put the public at the mercy of the combinations. A score of years has shown the absurdity of that fear. The small producers have been employed by the combinations, and as fast as the combinations were known to be making large profits, new combinations were formed to operate in the same fields. The combination found competition with combination, and that served as a check to whatever evil tendencies they possessed. With millions of dollars always seeking investment, it is not possible for any combination to crush out all possible competition. The most gigantic corporation is always threatened with the formation of gigantic competitors, and that is what must be relied upon to defend the consumer against the possible despotism of combinations. Legislation is not needed. Governmental control is not desirable. Artificial remedies for fancied ills are ridiculous. Crazy politicians could not manage the business affairs of the community, and the sooner all attempts at legislation looking towards virtual confiscation of private property and unconstitutional abridgment of individual rights are abandoned, the better for the community.

Governmental supervision and management are the panacea of the demagogues for all real or conceivable ills. Nowhere on earth can be seen an instance of governmental management of purely business concerns that is not a conspicuous failure. Great Britain has a state telegraph system. Britons pay more for a poor service, with no redress for costly errors, than Americans pay for prompt service, with full redress for errors. American private capital runs its telegraph business on business principles and must win or lose all. British governmental management gives a wholly unsatisfactory service and falls back on the public purse in cases of deficits. Look at the following table of postal telegraph deficits in Great Britain for a series of years:

POSTAL TELEGRAPH DEFICIENCIES IN ENGLAND.

1872 1873 1874	854,335	1878 1879 1880	547,774	1883 1884 1885	1,661,348
1875-76	919,842	1881	4,772	1886	
1877	898,843	1882	540,100		

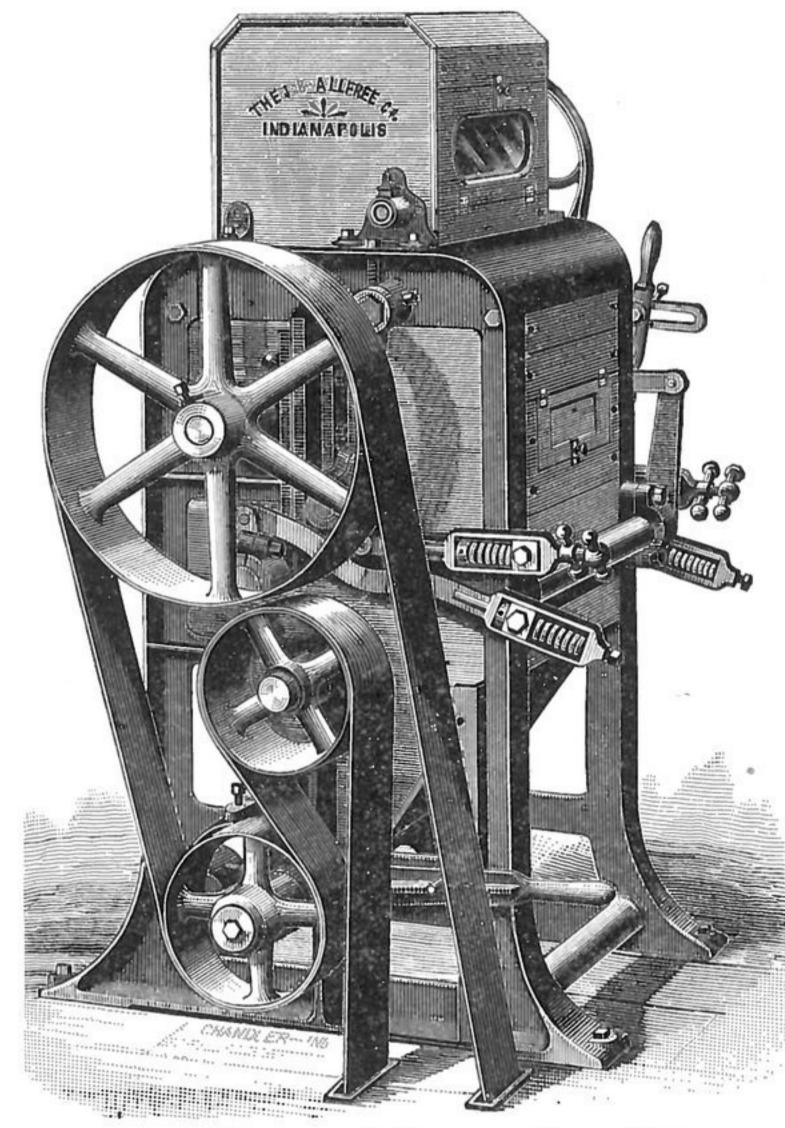
Does the American public desire an equally poor service at equally costly rates? The demagogue argues that the government of the United States has cheapened the carriage of mail matter and therefore it could cheapen telegraphy. The only answer needed to refute that argument is the statement that it is the railroads, owned and operated by private capital, that have made cheap postal rates possible. The government owns no transportation facilities, and without the much-abused railroads an ordinary letter would still call for \$2 instead of 2 cents for carrying.

The unsatisfactory character of governmental management is shown in the case of those European railroads that are operated by the State. Travelers abroad unite in denouncing the high charges, the inconvenient cars, the wretched service throughout and the total lack of all those comforts that are given without charge on American railroads. In addition to all these things, the roads are sure to call upon the public funds at regular intervals, so that the government-ridden Europeans must pay twice or thrice for wholly bad service. American demagogues, who denounce all combinations of capital as criminal and despotic, should study foreign instances of governmental management. That study will inevitably lead them to the conclusion that capital has on the whole done far better for the consumer than

it is credited with doing, that in the manipulation of the business and commercial affairs of the country governmental interference is not in the least degree desirable, and that injurious combination is yet unknown in the United States.

THE "KEYSTONE" ROLLER CORN MILL.

HEREWITH is shown the "Keystone" roller corn-mill manufactured by the J. B. Allfree Company, of Indianapolis, Ind., to which particular attention is called. The manufacturers of this machine say: The reduction being nicely pulverized or granulated, not floured, mashed and heated, as on buhrs, insures free, sharp bolting and clean bright meal that will keep much longer than the soft, oily germ-meal made on buhrs. In designing our four-high mill we have borne in mind that simplicity, strength, durability and economy of space are the cardinal points to be observed. Our drive-belt is a single open belt. The differential is simple and positive, either gears or belt being used. The feed is at all times reliable. Three reductions can be made and scalped separately, or three simultaneous reductions can be accomplished, the first passing directly to the second and thence to the third without elevating. The roll



THE "KEYSTONE" ROLLER CORN MILL.

journals are all very long and lined with very best babbittmetal, preventing undue wear and heating of bearings. The rolls are all connected so that they are set simultaneously by a single movement, and yet they may be adjusted independently and with the exception of re-corrugating of roll when worn will last a lifetime. The frame and all other parts are exceedingly strong, the entire machine being specially constructed for rapid and perfect work. None but the best Ansonia rolls are used in these machines.

POINTS IN MILLING.

FLOUR making in England must indeed be a very different thing from flour making in the United States. Here is an English authority on grinding recommending the use of a "good washer, a whizzer and hot-air dryer, an air-current cooler and a brush-machine with plenty of fan power" for the treatment of hard wheats. With all those extras added, implying a large increase in the cost of plant, in the cost of maintenance and in the cost of labor, it is plain why the English millers have not been able to keep up with the procession. With all these added features, it remains true that the British millers do not turn out the best flour in the world, by any means. It is only begging the question to

assert that they are forced to use these additional facilities because of the character of the various wheats they have to handle, for they are repeatedly declaring that the best Russian, Indian, Australian, Argentine and other wheats which they import are "fully as good as the best American wheats." If we are to believe that assertion, then they accuse themselves of being less able to make good flour than the American and Hungarian millers. If we believe their assertion that they are better millers than the American and Hungarian millers, then we are forced to disbelieve their assertion about the wheats they import.

THE heating of wheat is of dubious value so far as the keeping quality of the flour is concerned. I have known cases in which flour made from wheat artificially heated was altogether unsatisfactory. Heat carelessly applied to toughen bran or to extract moisture will be succeeded by "sweating." It is safe to say that the sudden application of heat is not to be relied upon to complete changes in the grain that have been left incomplete by nature in the growing grain. Poor grain is poor grain forever the world over, and all the science and all the whizzers, bakers, roasters, dryers and cookers in the world can not convert poor grain into any thing but poor flour. The poor flour may be forced into consumption by hiding it in good flour, but it is poor flour to the end of the chapter, in spite of all the possible mixing. In all mixtures the good flour can not raise the quality of the poor flour one iota, but the poor flour always degrades the good.

SUGGESTIONS ON WILL BUILDING.

We have been studying system and the quantity and arrangement of machinery very closely, which is as it should be, because the first thing the prospective builder of a new mill should learn, or rather the first thing he should determine, would be the kind of a mill he needs, its capacity in barrels per day, and the quantity of machinery required. After that has been done he must devise a building to suit. Our time and effort have been largely devoted to the short system, and as the reader is undoubtedly quite familiar with the general principles and requirements of the system, so far as the machinery and its arrangements are concerned, he may now want to know something more in detail about a building required for the accommodation of the system and its machinery. In view of that fact we will briefly consider and describe a building that will well adapt itself to the system for a mill of any capacity from 50 to 150 barrels per twenty-four hours.

For 50 barrels only there would seem to be a great deal of unnecessary room, but it must be remembered that we must have about so much width of building any way, and all that could be gained by shortening it up would be of trifling importance compared with having a building reasonably well proportioned as to length and width. Our building will, therefore, be 34x44 feet on the ground. The basement wall should be of stone masonry two feet in thickness. The depth of basement, measured from first floor, need not be more than ten feet. The bottom of the basement should be firmly laid in cement. There should be a number of half windows in the upper part of the basement walls, for the purpose of furnishing light and air, both of which are very essential in the basement of a well regulated and well kept flour-mill. No one connected with a mill should be afraid of light and air in the basement, although if we were permitted to draw conclusions from appearances, a great many mill-owners regard light and air in the basement an evil, a something to be avoided, while darkness and filth are cherished as a blessing, the one thing altogether lovely.

The engine-room and basement should be connected by a door affording quick and easy passage from one to the other. Where water-power is used, the open connection between the power-plant and the basement of the building is of not so much importance. There must be two main supporting posts placed in the center of the basement crosswise, dividing it lengthwise into three spaces. These posts should be 16x16 or 18x18, depending somewhat on the value of lumber,

but all things considered the larger size will prove the best. The posts must rest on a very firm pedestal of rock or stone masonry. That is made necessary, as can be readily understood, because the whole of the center weight of the building, which is made proportionally the heaviest on account of the weight of the machinery, rests upon the posts. The center post of a mill should be continuous from the bottom of the basement to the top of the building. That is, one post should sit on another and not on the girder, as is generally the case. The top of the basement post should be provided with an iron cap which projects on both sides of the post, in the lengthwise direction of the building, sufficiently to catch the ends of the girders and give them a firm hold. The next post or section of the post drops down between the ends of the girders and rests on the iron cap. The importance of such an arrangement of the posts of a flour-mill is quite obvious. It keeps the floors of the mill about level, while by the old plan the floors sink in the center, the upper ones becoming very much dished in the course of time. The reason of it is there is so much shrinkage of caps and girders. A building having three floors such as the one we are now describing would have from five to six feet of timber, which is more liable to be green than otherwise, when put in, to shrink.

There would be three wooden girders and three wooden caps. In the proposed plan all that would be done away with by allowing the timbers of each floor to shrink independently of the other. That is assumed to be uniform the whole length and breadth of the floor, and consequently in settling by shrinkage, each will maintain its original level plane and not materially interfere with the arrangement and good working condition of the machinery. The first story above the basement ought to be fourteen feet high from floor to floor. It is scarcely necessary to advise light on this floor, because every man that knows any thing about a mill fully appreciates the importance of that. It should be well lighted on three sides. The end next the engine and boiler house should have no openings in it, if the house be of brick or stone. If a frame building, it will not matter materially. And that reminds us that the door connecting the engine-room and basement should be provided with iron fire-doors. The first-floor rooms of a flour-mill can be rendered very cheerful by planing the wood-work and painting it white. The elevator legs and spouting look better when simply shellacked. We will state that the object of having the first story fourteen feet nigh, which looks very tall to an ancient miller, is to allow abundance of fall for spouting and at the same time keep the spouting well up in the air and out of the way of every thing, and especially the heads of tall millers.

The second story must be sixteen feet high from floor to floor. It ought also to be well supplied with windows on all sides but the one next the engine-house. Sometimes the second story of a mill is well supplied with windows, and then a number of them obstructed by stock hoppers of various kinds. That should not be allowed. All stock hoppers running along the wall should occupy the spaces between the windows, but never opposite to them. The main object in having the second story sixteen feet high is to allow scalpers to sit on top of centrifugal reels, or to allow one centrifugal reel to sit on another, as the case may be. By arranging the machines in that way a large amount of re-elevating is saved, and it enables the builder to get along with a less number of elevators than otherwise. It also places the spouting largely overhead and out of the way and leaves lots of room to move around in and keep every thing in proper shape. Although it adds to the expense of the building, it will pay to plane all the wood work, because it is so much easier to keep it clean and free from the accumulation of dust.

The top story should be at least eighteen feet to the square, unless a steep roof is used: then it need not be so high to the square, but should be about twenty-two feet to the comb of the roof. The additional height is needed in the top story to allow for the heads of the elevators, which should run up into the highest point and still have as much

or about as much spouting fall as in the story below, because we want to arrange the machines in substantially the same way, by placing one above the other, to save relifting the material. With a house provided as here described there need not be a conveyor of any kind in the mill; every thing can be spouted to its destination, and that too with the fewest possible stands of elevators. And, too, every thing will be convenient and accessible. The entire line of machinery can be so arranged as to bring every piece in full view and easily reached whenever it may require attention.—R. James Abernathey in Mechanical News.

AMBRICAN WHEAT IN GREAT BRITAIN.

The importance of the grain and flour trade between Great Britain and the United States may be seen in the following tables, showing the total importations of both wheat grain and wheat flour into Great Britain from all countries, from 1874 to 1887, inclusive, with the percentage contributed by the United States in each year. The wheat importations were as follows:

	Total Imports.	FromUni'd Sta'es.	Propor	tion from
Year.	Hundredweights.			'd Sta's.
1874	41,527,638	23,090,091	56 p	er cent.
1875	51,876,517	23,523,307	45	"
1876	44,454,637	19,323,054	43	"
1877	54,269,800	21,386,970	39	"
1878	40,906,484	29,060,809	58	
1879	59,591,796	36,041,395	60	66
1880	55,261,924	36,190,814	65	"
1881	57,147,933	36,083,488	63	
1882	64,240,749	35,137,173	55	
1883	64,137,746	26,128,761	41	66
1884	47,306,156	22,641,050	48	66
1885	61,498,864	24,272,852	39	66
1886	47,435,806	24,648,581	52	"
1887	55,802,518	30,530,263	55	4:
1888	63,950,985	22,503,200	35	66

The wheat flour importations into Great Britain for the same period, with the American percentage of contribution, were as follows:

Year.	Total Imports. Hundredweights.	FromUni'd Sta's. Hundredweights.	-	rtion from 'd States.
1874	6,236,044	3,292,769	53]	per cent.
1875	6,136,083	2,279,075	37	"
1876	5,959,821	2,320,279	39	"
1877		1,765,620	24	66
1878		3,621,861	46	"
1879	10,728,252	6,862,179	64	"
1880	10,558,312	6,873,829	65	
1881	11,357,384	7,693,174	67	"
1882	13,057,403	7,800,806	60	66
1883		11,270,459	70	66
1884	15,095,301	10,336,481	68	"
1885		11,731,903	74	66
1886	14,689,560	11,425,251	77	"
1887	18,063,234	14,860,415	82	66

This remarkable showing of the percentage of American wheat grain and flour in British importations is rendered still more impressive when it is remembered that the years named cover the entire period in which British enterprise has been exerting every possible effort to secure a wheat grain supply that would render Great Britain independent of or less dependent upon the United States. British capital has developed India, Australia and other lands in the hope of securing enough wheat to shut out the American grain, but so far all efforts have failed, and Great Britain up to the beginning of the year 1888 has seen herself more and more dependent upon the United States for wheat grain and flour. There has been variation in the American percentages, but not greater than was to be expected as the result of varying crop conditions year by year in the various wheat-producing countries. Another notable thing in connection with the wheat supply of Great Britain is the percentage which India has been able to furnish her during the years named. Following are the figures:

Year.	Per cent.	Year.	Per cent.	Year.	Per cent.
1874	2.5	1879	1.4	1884	16.5
1875	2.6	1880	5.8	1885	19.7
1876	7.4	1881	11.7	1886	23.2
1877	11.2	1882	13.1	1887	15.2
1878	3.6	1883	17.5		

Another interesting thing is the position of the Russian wheat grain and flour supply to Great Britain in competition with the United States. The crops of 1887 and 1888 in Russia were abundant and fine, and the Russian government has taken an active part in aiding the Russian farmers to ship out their surplus. These two facts have caused an increase in the Russian supplies to Great Britain for 1887 and 1888, and that increase has been translated to mean that Russia will supplant the United States in the work of supplying Great Britain with wheat grain and flour. British writers have asserted that to be the meaning of the situation, and some American writers have feared that it may mean that. One swallow does not make a summer, and one or two increases in the Russian percentage do not mean a permanent increase any more than one or two American decreases mean a permanent decrease. Cold figures will reveal the relative position of Russia. During the past 14 years the Russian percentage of wheat grain supplied to Great Britain has varied as follows:

Year.	Per Cent.	Year.	Per Cent.	Year.	Per Cent.
1874		1879	13.4	1884	11.4
1875		1880	w a	1885	19.4
		1881		1886*	7.8
1876		1882		1887	9.8
1878	18.0	1883		1888	33.3

Russian flour supplies to Great Britain during the same years are shown in the following table, giving the Russian percentage of the total British importation of wheat flour:

Year.	Per Cent.	Year.	Per Cent.	Year.	Per Cent.
1874	.94	1879	.84	1884	.62
	1.98	1880		1885	.54
1875	1.76	1881		1886	.15
1876		1882		1887	.23
1877				10011111	•
1878	1.31	1883	.49		

The thorough study of these figures ought to cure certain American writers of the insomnia they have incurred while worrying over the extinction of the American flour and grain trade with Great Britain by Russian competition. Let it not be forgotton that American wheat and wheat flour are articles of so high a grade that competition can not drive them out of the European market on merit. Circumstances may temporarily decrease their sales, but there will always be a large demand for them, especially in Great Britain. Study the figures presented herewith and rest assured that the end of the "American competition," as our European rivals call it, is not yet ended nor near its end.

WHY CASH SHOULD BE PAID.

Commenting on the prevailing methods of transacting business by farmers and millers, an Ohio farmer says in "The American Grange Bulletin": For some time I have had a doubt about milling in the old-style at a mill of the new style. I have thought, as I looked on the remnant of my grist each time as I came from the mill, that it was growing pitifully less, till it gradually dwindled away to such small proportions that I fain would have asked the miller to reverse the business and give me the toll and the sacks. But he looked so honest each time as he wheeled it out, and withal so cheerful and obliging that I failed to say the fatal words, but received my share with an air of grim satisfaction, sometimes whistling:

Happy is the miller who lives in the mill, As the mill goes round, round, round.

For these reasons, for the last two or three years I have not been a regular customer of the mill. Failing to see any profit in it, I found it unnecessary to keep on hand a certain amount of wheat for this purpose, so about half of the time I bought flour, going to the mill only when it suited best. There are two good mills at Delphos, Ohio, as good as can be found anywhere. If one has good wheat and is pretty sharp, he may get 47 pounds of mill product from a bushel of wheat, viz., 35 pounds flour, 10 pounds bran and 2 pounds middlings. They make three grades flour, low-grade, straight-grade and patent. The latter is not given in exchange; it is made for the upper tens, but it takes all the starch out of the grist. If one can get the above allowance there is something in going to mill. I have received this al-

In the first time I took 16 bushels of good wheat and traded it for flour, bran and middlings, to be weighed out when called for and at the rate of 35, 10 and 2 per bushel. The next time I wanted to go to the mill I could not find any wheat that would test 60 pounds. I suppose the miller had cornered it. I bought it of mill No. 2, No. 1 would not sell at any price. I paid a premium of 5 cents per bushel for it. The grist ran like this: Six bushels of wheat at 75 cents, \$4.50; product, 210 pounds flour, 60 pounds bran, 12 pounds middlings. Flour at this time was \$4.60 per barrel. So after giving a premium on the wheat I came out about 97 cents ahead. It paid to go to mill when wheat was bought of the miller.

Wheat is now worth \$1 per bushel if it tests 60 pounds. Flour is worth \$5.60 per barrel; 8 bushels of wheat will make 280 pounds of flour worth \$7.84, 96 pounds of bran worth 75 cents, making in all \$8.59. It pays to go to mill by 59 cents if your wheat is prime and the miller does what he agrees to. I went to mill the other day. I went in the old-fashioned way. I did all I could to crown the act with a semblance of antiquity. If I could have found a pair of knee-breeches I would have put them on to call the miller's attention to a time when one-eighth only went for toll. I unloaded eight bushels of wheat with all the dignity and grace of one who expected at least seven bushels of it back in mill products. It is but fair to state that the wheat, while nice and clean, has an unfortunate sprinkling of rye. It was discounted 15 cents at the warehouse, making it worth 85 cents. The eight bushels then were worth \$6.80. Flour is worth \$5.60. I received of mill product 500 pounds flour and 86 pounds of bran. Flour worth \$5.60, bran about 65 cents, making my mill product worth only \$6.25. So it don't pay to go to mill by 55 cents. I feel just this way about the matter. I want to sell at the highest market price and buy where I can cheapest. But when I go to mill again and let the miller toll out two-fifths of my grist, it will be a very cold day indeed. We have in return for this scant allowance a very fine flour; yet it is questionable, if health is considered, whether it is as good as it is expensive. A buhr mill and no miller's union, or a reasonable exchange.

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GENERAL NOTES.

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INTERESTING CROP COMPARISONS.

Millers will gain a clear idea of the situation of the flour and grain trade by a careful study of the following comparative exhibit of acreage, yield and value of both corn and

wheat in the United States for a series of years. The figures are in every case the official figures of the Department of Agriculture. According to the record the acreage, yield and value of the wheat crops has been as follows:

Years.	Acreage.	Crop, bus.	Value.
1888	37,336,138	414,868,000	\$384,248,000
1887	37,641,783	456,329,000	310,612,000
1886	36,806,184	457,218,000	314,226,000
		357,112.000	
		512,763,000	
1883	36,393,319	420,154,000	383,649,000
1882	37,067,194	504,185,000	444,602,000

The figures on the corn crops are equally interesting. comparisons extending back to 1883 are as follows:

Years.	Acreage.	Crop, bus.	Value.
1888	75,672,763	1,987,790,000	\$677,562,000
1887	72,392,720	1,456,161,000	646,107,000
		1,665,441,000	
		1,936,176,000	
		1,795,528,000	
1883	68,301,889	1,551,067,000	658,052,000

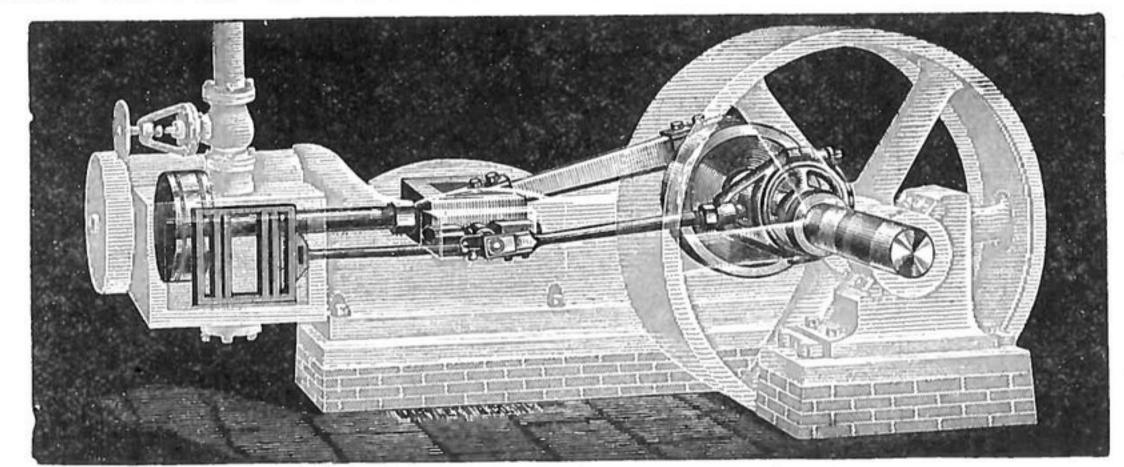
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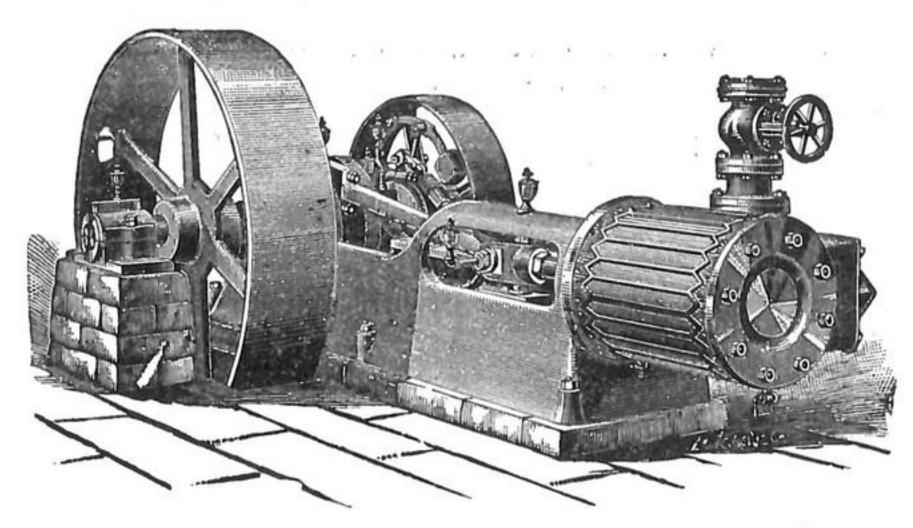
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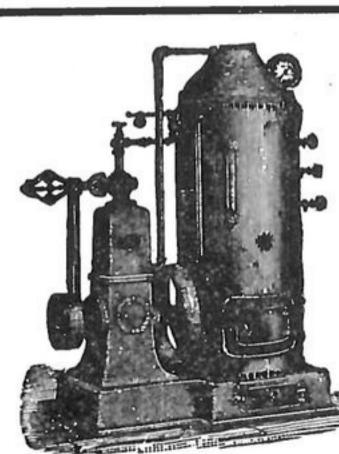


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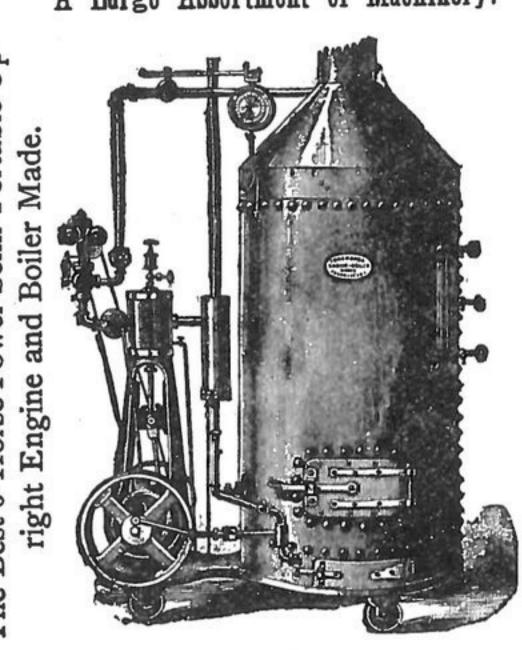
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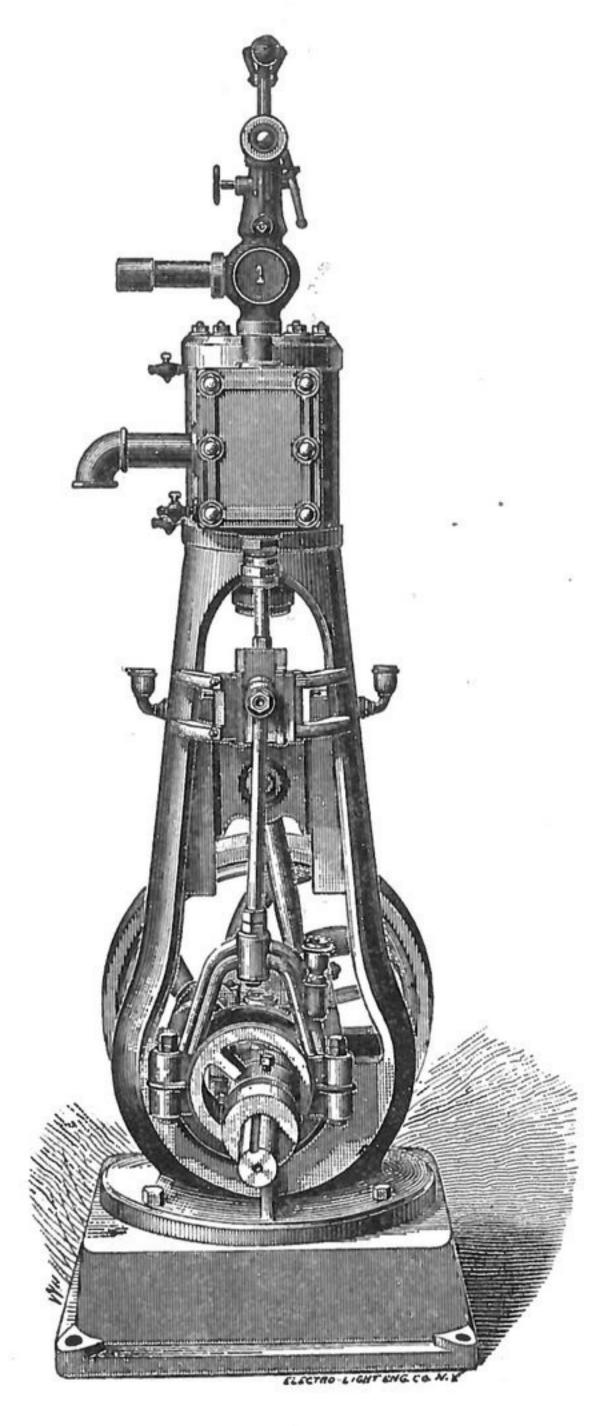
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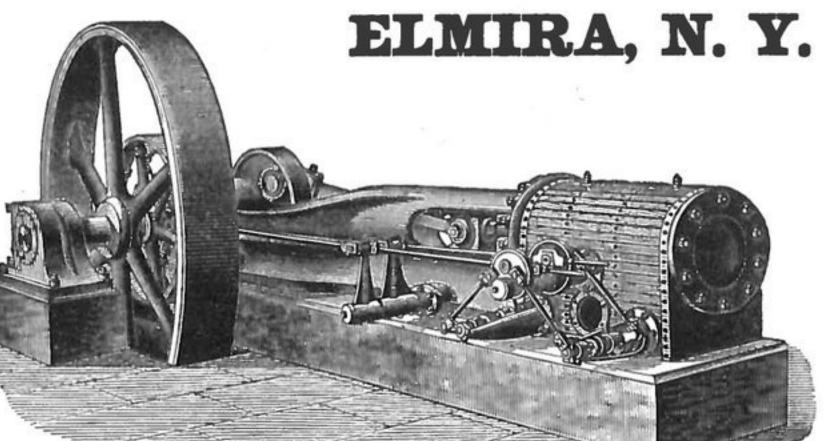
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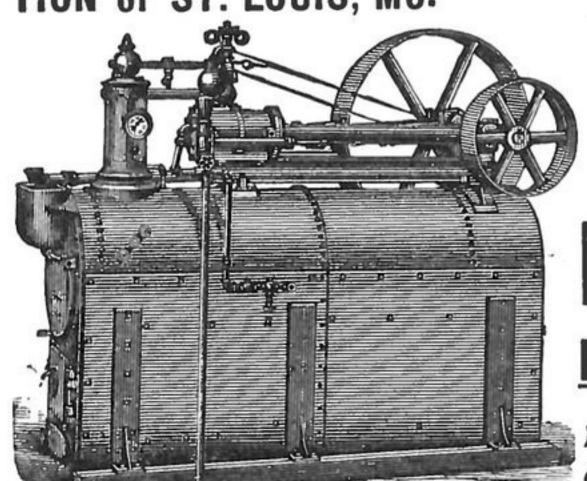
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E. R. Goudy, miller, Hilmer, Mont., sold out. Sander Bros.' mill, Wellsburg, W. Va., burned. B. K. Turner's flour-mill, Congdon, Ky., burned. Wm. F. Teter, miller, Port Clinton, Pa., assigned. C. A. Cutting, Middleton, Va., started a grist-mill. Smith & Wooderd, Abilene, Texas, start a grist-mill. J. D. Kelton, Keltonburg, Tenn., builds a roller mill. W. A. Baer & Co., millers, Greensburg, Pa., sold out. D. Willingham, sr., Jedburg, S. C., builds a grist-mill. C. Wycolochek & Co.'s grist-mill, Colby, Wis., burned. McCalley & Son, millers, Walla Walla, Wash., dissolved. Brebner & Johnson, millers, Alpena, Mich., now I. Brebner. Jas. A. Hackney, Concord, Tenn., adds new milling machines. O. J. Dundas, Kelso, Tenn., puts in rolls with 40-barrel capacity. The Ringo Roller Mills, Waxahatchie, Texas, want flour-dressers. C. H. Gunther & Son, San Antonio, Texas, want new round reels. J. & R. R. Haven, Washington, N. C., want grist-mill machinery. A. H. Armitage, miller, Casnovia, Mich., now Armitage & Bunker. Harmes Bros., Fayetteville, Tenn., want rolls and bolting-machines. Chas. R. Ross, Madisonville, Ky., improves the Exchange Flour Mills. The mills of Oregon are credited with a capacity of about 8,000 barrels a day.

Jones & Gay, Winchester, Ky., will build a large elevator at Pine Grove.

The mills of Rochester, N. Y., have a daily capacity of nearly 5,000 barrels.

Jos. Wilson's oatmeal mill, Fergus, Ont., burned; loss \$15,000; insurance light.

Mrs. Bonfield's grist-mill, Eganville, Ont., burned; loss \$30,000; insurance \$5,000.

A. D. Rogers, Huntsville, Ala., will start a roller mill at New Market, in the same state.

Neely & McCord, Pulaski, Tenn., enlarge their flour-mill and are in the market for machinery.

Foster & Co.'s elevator, Fostoria, O., burned; loss \$15,000; insurance \$5,000; fired by tramps.

Chas. W. Seefield, miller and grain-dealer, St. Charles, Minn., has failed; amount \$300,000.

John C. Bailey and others, Peoria, Ill., incorporated the Peoria Oatmeal Mfg. Co., capital \$50,000.

W. R. & J. E. Elder, Estill Springs, Tenn., will build a flour and corn mill next summer at Holder's Store.

J. F. Lewis, flour-mill, Lynwood, Va., sold to Anderson & Coiner for \$3,500; they will put in new machinery.

West Point, Miss., is to have a \$30,000 flour-mill, to be built by Tennessee men if proper encouragement is given.

The mills of California above 200-barrel capacity a day number about 30, and their aggregate capacity is about 14,000 barrels a day.

J. Hiles and others, Havre de Grace, Md., incorporated the Havre de Grace Milling Co., capital \$20,000, to start a 75-barrel roller mill.

The first cargo of wheat ever exported from Tacoma, W. T., was in 1887. The exports during the past year amounted to 2,528,000 bushels, and the estimate for the present year is 7,500,000 bushels.

The mills of Minneapolis and vicinity have an aggregate capacity of about 39,000 barrels a day. The total elevator capacity of the city is about 14,100,000 bushels. The cooper-shops of the city sold 2,965,550 barrels in the crop year of 1887-88, against 2,718,900 for the crop year of 1886-7.

In a notice of the seventh annual banquet of the Geo. T. Smith Middlings Purifier Co., Jackson, Mich., the statement was made that the company had paid "25 per cent. dividends" on its capital stock. Of course the statement means "annual dividends," as that great company have paid dividends regularly every year.

Mr. Geo. W. Heartley, the well-known manufacturer of power and hand punching and shearing machinery, of Toledo, O., is doing a large business. His establishment, the Toledo Spring and Variety Iron Works, has recently received from the United States Government an order for mill-picks, to be sent to the San Carlos Indian Agency, Arizona. He is one of the "Old Reliables" in trade and deserves all the success he has gained.

It is estimated that about 15,000,000 bushels of wheat are used annually in various manufactures, such as starch, whiskey, food preparations and sizing for cloth and paper. The annual home consumption of wheat for food for the population is placed at 4½ bushels for each person. Some estimates have been made at rates more than this, 4.65, and some less, as low as 4.30 bushels. The generally accepted consumption is $4\frac{1}{2}$ bushels. On this basis the annual wheat consumption of the United States for food, feed, seed and manufactures has been from 1882 to 1888 as follows:

Year.	Food.	Seeding.	Mfg. etc.	Total.
1882-83	241,552,589	51,151,929	15,000,000	307,704,518
1883-84	249,079,653	50,308,718	15,000,000	314,388,371
1884-85	256,394,907	54,476,684	15,000,000	325,871,591
1885-86	263,301,408	52,440,000	15,000,000	330,741,408
1886-87	270,071,618	50,792,534	15,000,000	335,864,152
1887-88		52,440,000	15,000,000	345,118,539
1888-89	285,750,000	51,092,817	15,000,000	351,842,817

The increase in home requirements from 1882-83 to 1888-89 has been 44,-138,299 bushels. If the average net exports in previous years be kept up there will be required an increase in the wheat production of the United States.

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Among the most important of recent additions to the literature of milling may be ranked the neat 48-page book just sent out by that well-known milling writer, Mr. R. James Abernathey, of Kansas City, Mo. This volume is entitled "The True Short System." It contains a brief and authoritative history of the short system of milling in the United States and valuable articles on the system which embody the author's long practical experience in that line. The chapters on wheat-heating, wheatcleaning, roll surface, roller feeds, double-belt drive, custom mills, flowsheets (illustrated), three-break systems, patent flour, systems of building mills and arranging machinery, and other topics are full of interest. Every miller in the United States should have a copy of Mr. Abernathey's book, the price of which is \$2. Any intelligent miller who reads it can become an expert in the short system. The book is published by Mr. Clifford Hall, editor of "The Modern Miller." It may be obtained from THE MILLING WORLD on especially attractive terms. For particulars see advertisement on another page in this issue. Every miller who favors the short system needs the book. Every miller who opposes the short system needs the book. Every miller who is neutral on the subject of system needs it. All need it. Send for it and read it.

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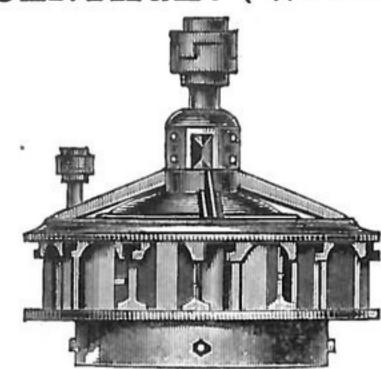
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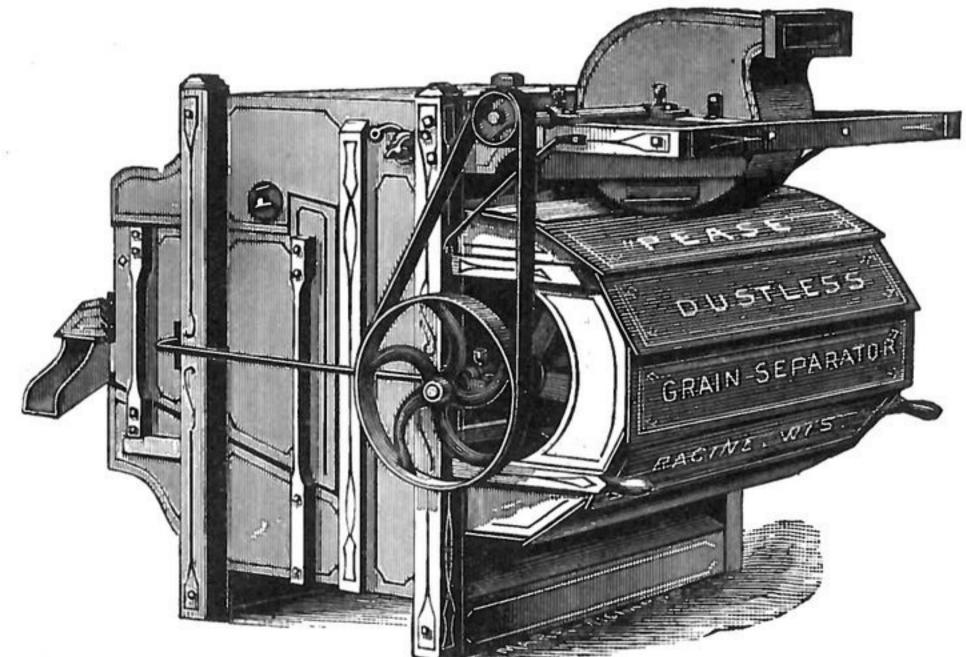
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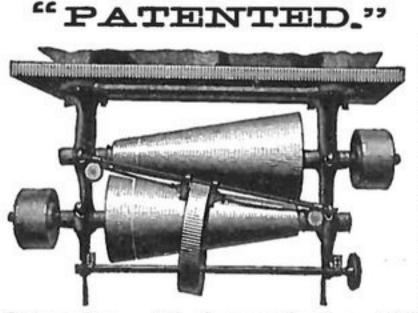
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EUROPEAN ECHOES.

SAYS the London "Miller" of January 7; Chiefly in the shrinking exports of American flour the English trade is finding a freedom in action to which it has been a stranger for several years.

THE estimated requirements of France of foreign wheat for this year are 45,000,000 bushels. During the first four months of the crop year, Aug. 1 to Nov. 30, France imported for consumption 17,753,503 bushels of wheat in 1888, against 10,082,630 bushels in 1887, and 13,679,507 bushels in 1886. The supply from Russia in the four months was nearly double last year.

The authorities of the Buda-Pesth Corn Exchange have passed a resolution the effect of which will be to withdraw from the cognizance of the committee transactions of a purely gambling nature. Firms that open large accounts without requiring cover will necessarily do so at their own risk. This measure is said to have been forced on the committee by the alarming increase of purely speculative business, in which every kind of "outsider" took part, not excluding ministers of religion.

The Agricultural Society of Vienna has recently petitioned the Government to take measures to enforce the proposal made not long since by the Austrian Millers' Association for the exaction of a deposit of at least one florin, 40 cents, as cover for every metercentner, 220.46 pounds, of grain sold forward on the corn exchange. An old miller writing to Pappenheim's Mueller Zeitung on this subject remarks that one of the evils springing out of the facility with which any quantity of wheat may now be bought any time in advance without any deposit is a remarkable recklessness among millers in the matter of forward sales. He speaks of bakers holding sale notes a year or even more in advance.

According to a statement sent out by a Liverpool firm of flour-dealers on January 4, 1889, the stocks of wheat and wheat flour in the United Kingdom amounted to 1,813,331 quarters of wheat and 600,000 quarters of flour, a total of 2,413,331 quarters, on the last day of 1888, against a total of 2,384,438 quarters on the last day of 1887. The same statement set down the estimated visible wheat supply in various countries as follows:

		—January 1—	
3	1889.	1888.	1887.
	Quarters.	Quarters.	Quarters.
Stocks in the U. K	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,000,000
Afloat for Europe	2,677,000	1,672,000	2,823,000
Visible supply in the U. S	6,750,000	8,750,000	11,000,000
Stock in French ports	1,500,000	600,000	400,000
Stock at Antwerp	350,000	150,000	200,000
Stock at Odessa	1,500,000	917,000	558,000
Stock in Dutch ports	40,000	47, 000	65,000
Total	15,317,000	14,636,000	17,046,000

The output of the wheat crop in Europe in 1886-87 was about 1,178,636,000 bushels, against about 1,218,000,000 bushels in 1885-86. The output in 1887-88 was considerably under average. The world's wheat production in 1886-87 was about 2,032,000,000 bushels, against 2,110,000,000 bushels in 1885-86. The world's wheat crop of 1888 is estimated within the range of 25,000,000 to 85,000,000 bushels less than the crop of 1886-87, most of the estimates being under 40,000,000 bushels less than the output of 1886-87. The deficiency on the eastern coast of the United States was more marked than elsewhere.

SAYS the London "Millers' Gazette" of January 7: It is very pleasant to be able to state that the past year has been a more satisfactory one all around, commercially speaking, than several of its predecessors; and the milling trade has participated in an important degree in the general improvement. Several circumstances have combined to bring about

this desired result. First of all, there is much more confidence in the trade, an element which for years has been lacking; secondly, there has been a partial failure of the world's crops, leading to higher prices for wheat and a better trade for flour; and thirdly, the American crop has been so short that prices on that side of the Atlantic have been driven so much above our level that American millers have for the past four months been unable to manufacture flour for export at any thing like the price obtainable on this side. Thus the great American competition, which is credited with being the cause of all the ills from which the milling trade has suffered for the past five years, has now become practically innocuous and ineffectual. This, doubtless, is the main reason why the British and Irish miller has had a more remunerative business during the past six months than perhaps he has enjoyed for some years past. But the fact that strong Russian wheat, which many millers prefer to American red sorts, has been abundant and cheap for the past eighteen months, has been a very powerful lever in the hands of our millers, who, with improved mills and improved means of cleaning these wheats from the admixture of foreign substances unfortunately to be found in Russian wheats, have not felt the absence of red American wheat to any appreciable extent. The year's imports of wheat and flour have, however, been large, thanks to the liberal supply from Russia, and compare with previous years as follows:

	Wheat. Qrs.	Flour (as wheat) Qrs.	Total. Qrs.	Prop'n of Flour to the whole.
1888	13,300,000	5,412,000	18,712,000	29 per cent.
1887	13,016,000	5,811,000	18,827,000	31 "
1886	11,061,000	4,264,000	15,325,000	27 "
1885	14,340,000	5,016,000	19,356,000	25 "

COTEMPORARY COMMENT.

The American term for maize is corn, or Indian corn. Why not say American corn instead of Indian corn?—Cincinnati Price Current.

The Milwaukee meeting did not accomplish any positive results, but by the course pursued and the intentions made manifest that which we predicted has been brought about. Every newspaper in the land is now busy educating the people into the belief that the millers of the country are conspiring to make them pay abnormal prices for bread, and they have reason for it.—Modern Miller.

The commissioner of agriculture at Washington now says the late estimate was for the crop in measured bushels without regard to quality. If reduced to bushels of 60 pounds it would represent less than 400,000,000 bushels. The weight will be estimated as usual, in March, from records of weighing by millers, from the commercial inspection records, and the result of other investigations.—Minneapolis Market Record.

It is with mixed feelings one reads that during the half-year ending December 31st the United States debt has decreased by \$31,522,398 whereas that of Canada has increased to the tune of \$11,326,215. Allowing for relative population, our colony has been going it pretty fast, having a debt of \$284,513,841, against only \$1,134,062,257 owing by the United States.—London, England, Financial Times.

The June report of the Agricultural Bureau gave the acreage of spring and winter wheat at "about 36,000,000," and in none of the subsequent monthly bulletins was there conveyed any intimation that that estimate was incorrect or in need of amendment, yet in the report just issued the area is given at 37,336,138 acres. Now the question is where were the additional 1,336,138 acres between June and December?

—Chicago Daily Business.

There are a great many people who seem to think that their success in life depends upon certain conditions, are always finding fault because those conditions are not in accordance with their ideas.—Manufacturers' Gazette.

We have patiently read the views of both sides and, like a court of justice, we are bound to decide against alum in bread because the most of the witnesses testify against the same.—Anti-Adulteration Journal.

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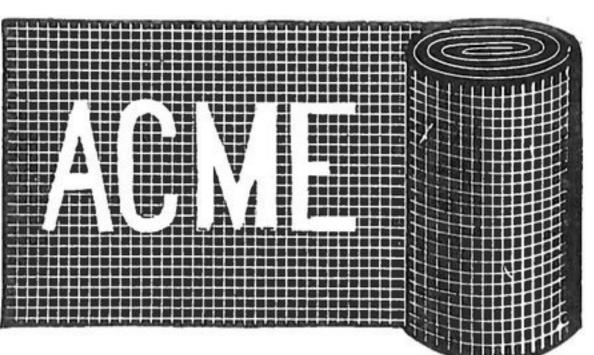
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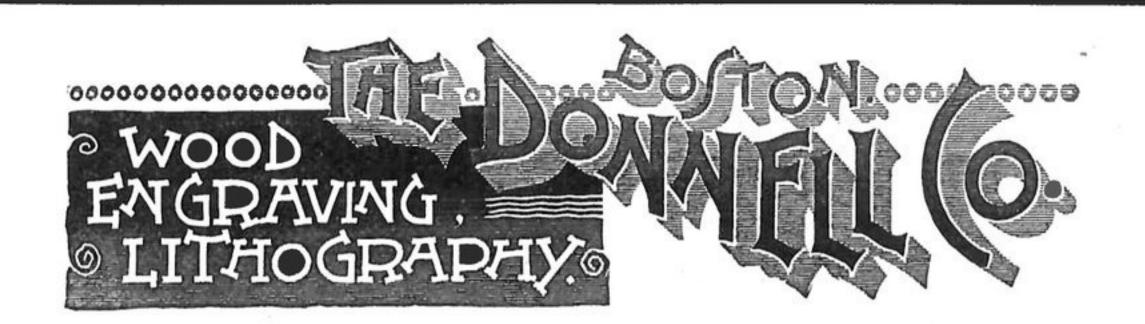
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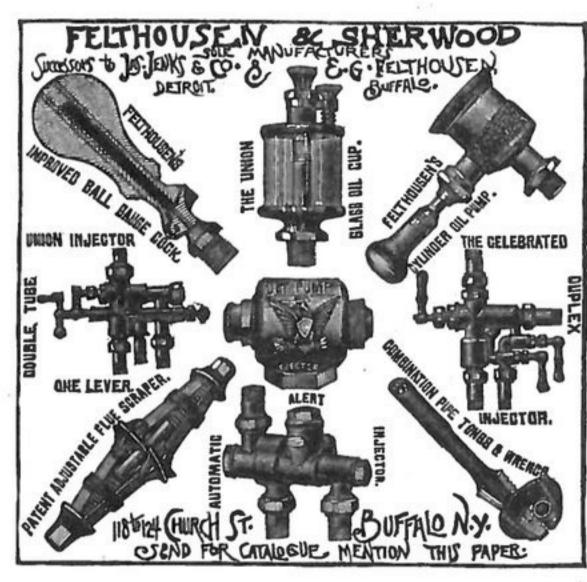
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On Friday of last week the bullish tendency in the breadstuffs markets was more marked. January wheat rose to 97%c. and May to \$1.-02% at closing. Options only 200,000 bushels in New York. January corn closed at 44%c. and oats at 32c. Wheat flour was dull and neglected. The minor lines were featureless.

On Saturday some realizing in New York and Chicago made the markets dull, easy and lower, with January wheat closing at 97½c. Options only 500,000 bushels. January corn closed at 44½c. and oats at 31¾c. Wheat flour was dull and unchanged, with holdings slightly more steady. There was some export inquiry for the West Indies. Other lines were unchanged.

On Monday there was some improvement on large buying and selling in Chicago and the large decrease in the visible supply. January wheat opened at 86% c. and closed at 87c. Options 3,750,000 bushels. Chicago speculators are thought to be planning a deal on the wheat market, as large sales, amounting to nearly 4,000,000 bushels of contract wheat, were reported in that city. The names of the buyers could only be guessed at, but the fact of the absorption of so large an amount made the dealers nervous. January corn closed at 43% c. and oats at 31% c. Wheat flour was dull but generally steady. Sales were moderate and export demands were small. The other lines were featureless.

The visible	supply in	the United	States and
Canada was:	1889.	1888.	1887.
	Jan. 19.	Jan. 21.	Jan. 22.
Wheat	36,596,870	42,361,250	61,964,599
Corn	13,285,699	6,677,034	16,404,940
Oats	*** [H. 1975] M. 1987		4,774,228
Rye	1,684,261	311,015	444,227
Barley			2,420,235

On Tuesday realizing by longs in wheat, corn and oats made the markets weak, active and lower. In New York January wheat opened at 97c. and closed at 95%c. Options 2,500,000 bushels. January corn closed down at 43%c. and oats at 31%c. Wheat flour was dull and on most lines unchanged, with little trade. The minor lines were featureless.

On Wednesday there was heavy realizing on stop orders at under \$1 that caused a heavy break in wheat. As a result January wheat closed at 93%c., February at 94%c., March at 951/2c., May at 981/4c. and June at 981/4. Options 12,000,000 bushels. There was no concentrated. buying and in New York the whole crowd was bearish. Even a decided increase in export demand did not check the bearish tide. Export orders were large and inquiries numerous, the fall having brought American wheat down nearly to the European offers. January corn ruled at 43c. and oats at 31c. Wheat flour opened dull and unchanged, but closed weak in sympathy with wheat. Buyers held off, hoping to see wheat down to 90c. for May, which is promised by the bears, and sellers were inclined to sell before any further break in wheat occurs. The market was full of soft spots. Export sales were reported. The minor lines were featureless.

On Thursday there was less liquidation and the markets became somewhat stronger. January wheat closed at 93%c. and May at 98%c. Options 8,250,000 bushels. Export business was brisk during the day; a number of loads sold for various foreign ports. January corn closed at 43%c. and oats at 31%c. Buckwheat grain was nominally 60@62c. Rye was 52@-57c for Jersey and Pennsylvania on track, and 60c. on track bid for No. 1 State, with 65c. asked afloat. Barley was nominally as follows: 76@-

78c. for two-rowed; 70@82c. for six-rowed; 83-@85c. nominally for extra No. 2 Canada and 87@88c. for No. 1. Malt was nominal at \$1.10-@1.12 for city, 90c. for 2-rowed and 98c. for 6-rowed State. Mill-feed was dull and weak at the following quotations: 65@75c. for the whole range of 40,60 and 80 lbs spring and winter; 80-@85c. for 100 lbs; 90c. for sharps; 80c. for rye; screenings, 50@80c; oil meal, \$1.45@1.50; cotton meal, \$1.25@1.28; barley meal, 90c. Rye flour was quiet and weak at \$3 for round lots, with jobbing quoted at \$3.15. Buckwheat flour was dull at \$2@2.15. Corn products were quiet but firm at the following quotations:

Coarse, 83@85c; fine yellow, \$1@1.03; fine white, \$1.00@1.05; Western and Southern in barrels, \$2.85@2.90; Brandywine and Sagamore, \$3.00; granulated, \$3@3.30; grits, \$2.75-@3.00; corn flour \$3@3.25; hominy and samp nominal.

Wheat flour was wholly nominal, except in the case of job lots, which were taken only on compulsion and in lots to meet the wants of the pressing trade. The quotations were as follows:

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Extra No. 2	3.30@3.45	3.45@3.65
	New. Old.	New. Old.
Extra No. 1	3.70@4.40	3.80@4.40
	New. Old.	New. Old.
Clear	3.90@4.65	4.40@4.90
Straight	5.15@5.65	5.65@5.90
Patent	5.75@6.40	6.25@6.80
WINTE	ER FLOUR.	
	Sacks.	Barrels.
No grade	\$1.90@2.15	\$@
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Superfine	3.15@3.30	3.25@3.40
Extra No. 2	3.30@3.45	3.60@3.80
Extra No. 1	3.70@4.65	3.90@5.40
Clear	4.20@4.50	4.40@4.80
Straight	4.90@5.15	4.90@5.50
Patent	5.15@5.50	5.30@6.15
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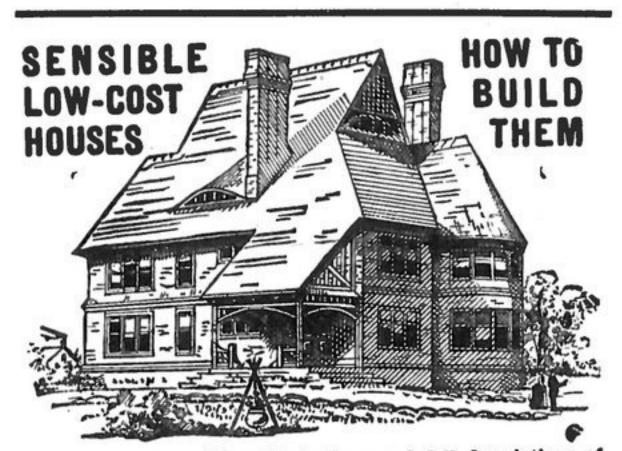
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FLOUR-City ground-Patent spring, \$7.25@7.50 straight Duluth spring, \$6.75@7 00; bakers' spring, \$5.25@5.50; red winter \$600@6.25; white winter, \$6.00-@6.25. Western-Patent spring, \$7.25@7 to; straight Minnesota, \$6.75@7.00: Minnesota bakers \$5.25@5 50; r.d winter, \$6.09@6.25; white winter, \$6.00@6.25; low Zrade flour, \$4.00@4.50; Graham flour \$6 00@62; rye flour, \$4:80@4 25 per bbl; buckwheat flour, \$2.75 per 100 lbs. OATMEAL -Akron, \$6.45; Western, \$6.20 per bbl. CORNMEAL-Coarse, 90c.; fine {5c.; granulated, \$1.75 per cwt. WHEAT-Ch cago May opened at 97c. and closed at 971/2c. Limits unchanged; 82c for old No, 1 hard, 28c for New No. 1 hard, 15c for No. 1 Northern, and .0c over May for No 2 Northern. The demand for spring was fair at a shading of limits, sales including 5,000 bu old. No 1 hard at \$1.281/2 5,000 bu new No. 1 hard at \$1 19 and 500 bu do do at at \$1.201/2, old No. 1 hard closing nominal at \$1.291/2; new No. 1 hard at \$1.20½, No. 1 Northern at \$1.12½, and No. 2 Northern at \$1.07½; winter wheat quiet; sale 1 carload No. 2 red early at \$1.00\(\frac{1}{2}\), and 2 do No. 1 white later at \$1 051/2@1.06; Toledo and Detroit were 1@2c betler in the afternoon, snd the market here for No. 2 red closed at \$1.02 and No. 3 red at 90c. CORN -Quiet closing firm; sales 1 carload No. 4 at 86%c, 4 do No. 3 at 871/2, and 1 do No. 3 yellow at 881/2c, all on track; Chicago Jan. advanced 3/c. OATS-Weak with a fair demand; sales early were 8 carloads poor No. 2 white at 311/c; 8 do do at 311/c; in the afternoon 3 do good No. 2 white at 82½c, 1 do No. 3 white at 30c, and 1 do No. 2 m'xed at 281/2c. BARLEY-The market is at a standstill at irr gular pr ces; No. 1 Canadian quoted at 79@80c, yet some holders are asking 82c; No. 2 do at 75@76c, No. 3 extra at 70@72c, No. 8 at 65@68c. RYE-No. 2 nominal at 54c. RAILROAD FREIGHTS.—To New York. Baltimore, and Phila. delphia rate poinds on grain flour, and feed, 13c, per 100 lbs; to Alabany and West Troy, 10½c; to Boston, 15½c.

Says an exchange: California crop prospects are in the highest degree encouraging, and that fact is hurrying the old surplus out of the state. Oregon and Washington are the same. The Pacific coast shipment in Dec. equaled 4,000,000 bushels. The crop prospects in India are average and in some quarters are estimated above that, and the shipments thence are increasing, and India's surplus will also be moved forward. Foreign stocks in store and the ocean stocks are undoubtedly liberal, a condition so exactly opposite to the expectations and prophecies in September last as to be almost beyond belief. The spring will unloosen in southern Russia larger supplies of wheat. All these are important indications and dealers can give them their due consideration. Under the retrospective mentioned wheat at the seaboard looks cheap, but that question will be decided by a consumptive demand from some source.

Writing from Salina, Kan., January 20, Mr. T. Miller says: "We had about 1,500,000 bushels of winter wheat of good quality in this, the banner county of the state. It was very dry all the fall and a large acreage was sown, but the wheat plant is small. The winter has been very mild, with no more than 11/2 inches of ice this winter. We had no rain till about the 14th of this month, and we had about 4 inches of snow the 19th, which makes the people feel more encouraged for a new crop, and everybody is predicting a mild winter. But after all, if it should be a mild February and give the wheat a good start to growing, then turn cold in March, it would kill a great deal of the wheat as I have seen done before. The situation is very dangerous."

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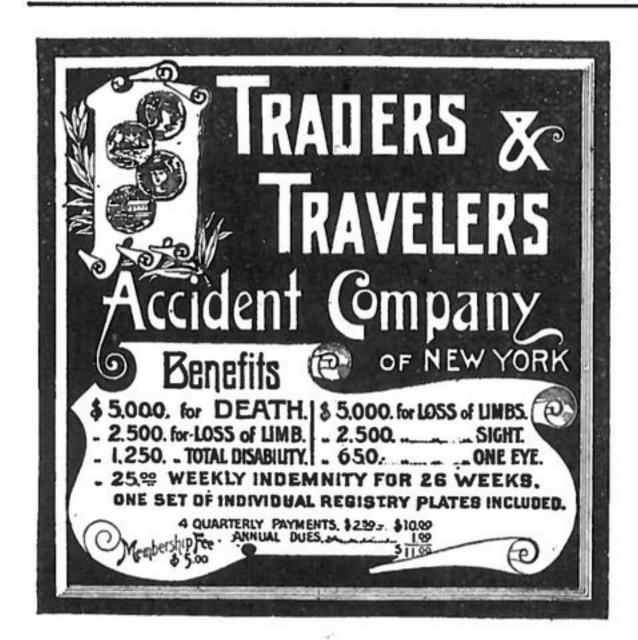


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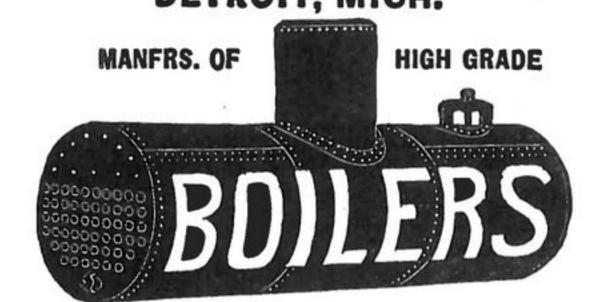
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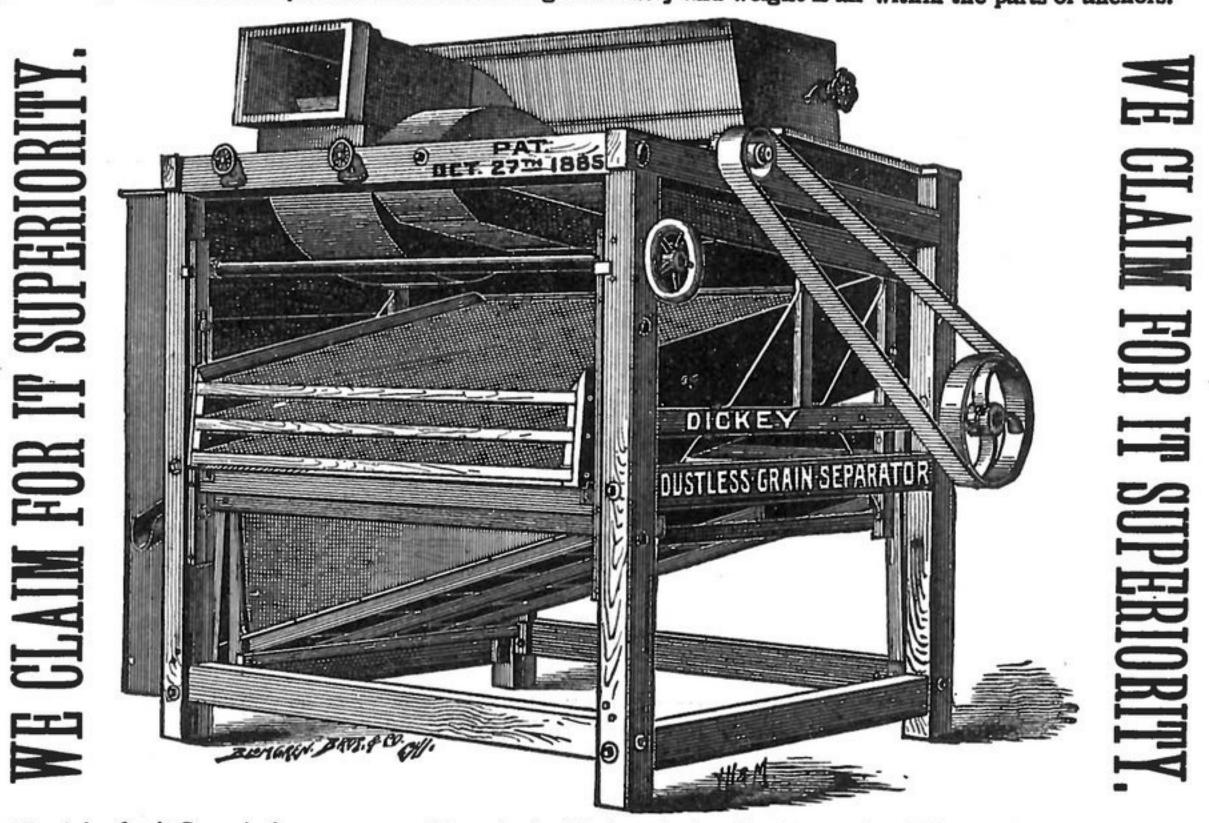


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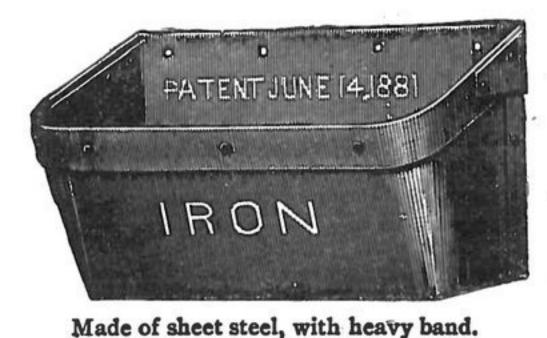
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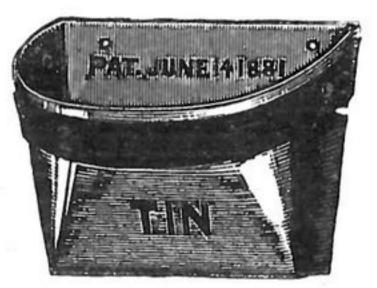


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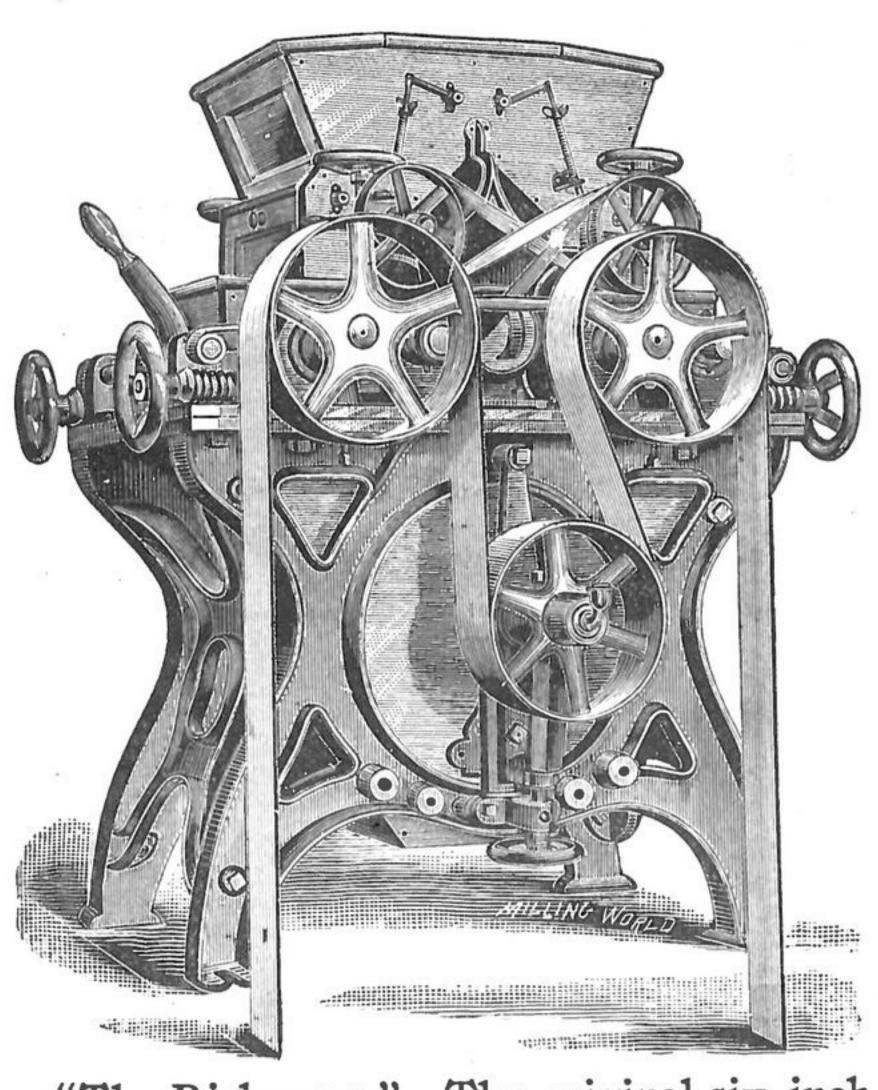
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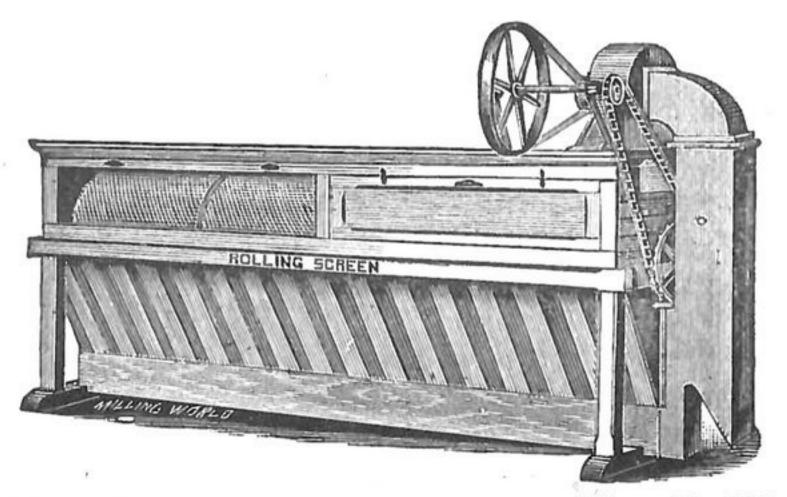
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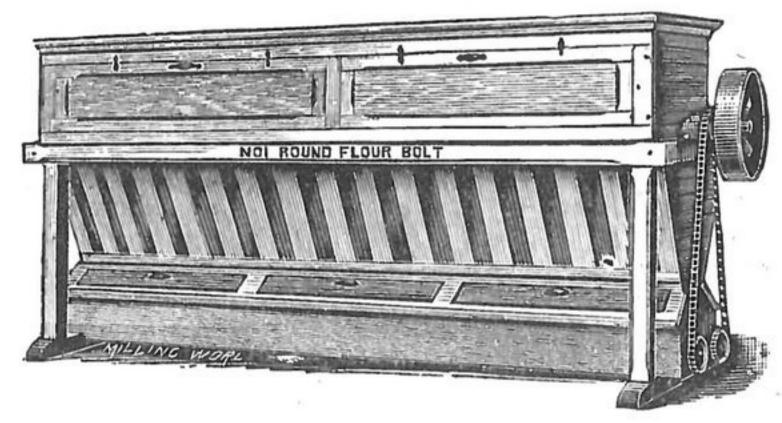
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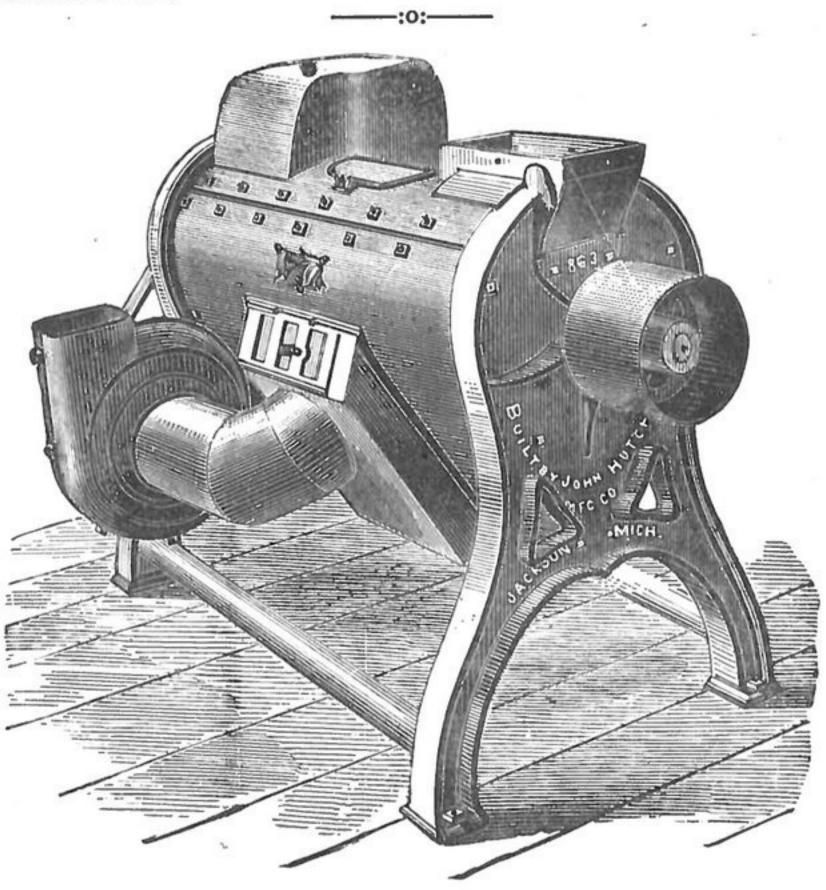


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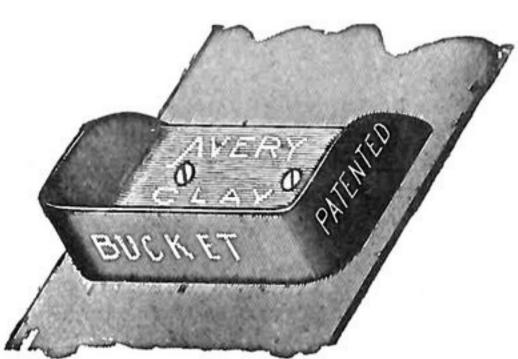


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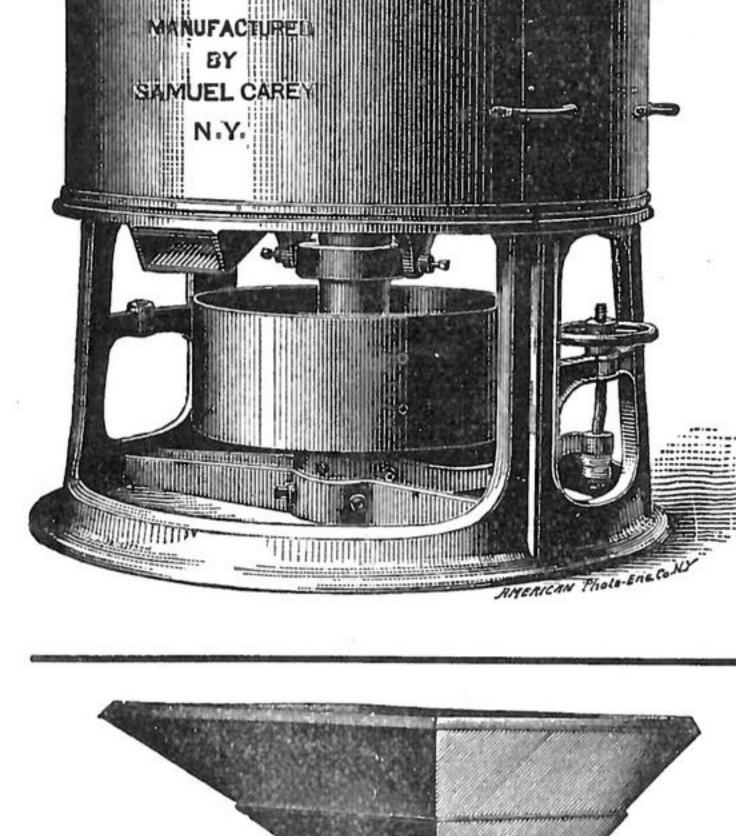
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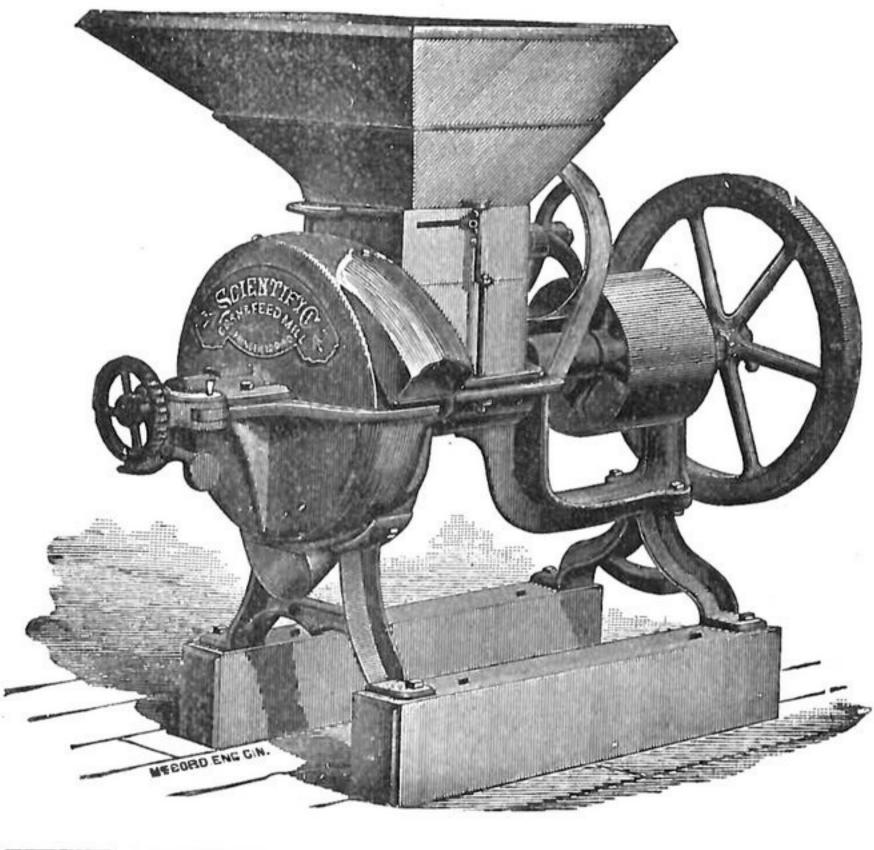
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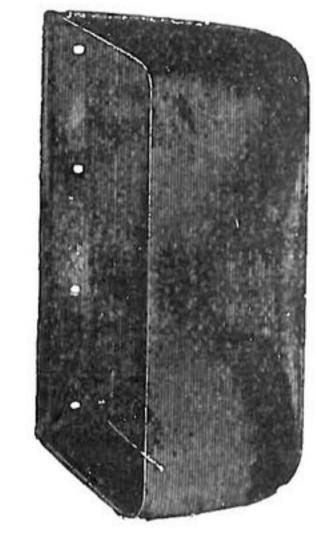
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